TO--OFFERING-FULL-DAY-OR-RESIDENTIAL-SERVICES,-UNLESS-THERE-IS-AN EMERGENCY-NEED-FOR-IMMEDIATE-FULL-DAY-OR-RESIDENTIAL-PLACEMENT.

(C) ELIGIBLE PERSONS SELECTED FOR SERVICES BY THE ADMINISTRATION SHALL BE INFORMED OF INDIVIDUAL SUPPORT SERVICES AND ENCOURAGED TO USE THEM, AS APPROPRIATE, PRIOR TO BEING OFFERED FULL DAY OR RESIDENTIAL SERVICES.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1987.

Approved June 2, 1987.

CHAPTER 761

(House Bill 1007)

AN ACT concerning

Family and Individual Support Services Programs

FOR the purpose of clarifying that the Mental Retardation Developmental Disabilities Administration is required to private contract with nonprofit community-based organizations for the provision of family support services in each county or-region of the State; requiring-the--Family Support -- Services -- Programs -- and - Individual - Support -- Services Program-to-be-funded-and-exempt-from-the---State--procurement process; requiring the Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration to base the amount of a grant family support services to a county or-region upon the the eligible families in each needs of locality accordance with certain data; clarifying that the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene is required to request budget support that is sufficient to operate the Family Support Services Program and build its capacity so that all counties of the State are served; requiring the Secretary, to the extent that funds are provided by the Governor in the State budget, to assume financial responsibility for the program every county after a certain date; requiring Department Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene by certain date to request sufficient budget support and assume responsibility for the family support services project serving certain counties; establishing an Individual Support Services Program; requiring the Mental Retardation and Developmental Disabilities Administration to enter into grant agreements with--private--nonprofit--community--based organizations for the provision of individual support services; requiring-funding-allocated-to--each--provider--to